REMARKS

Claims 19-21 and 24-25 have been cancelled without prejudice for possible prosecution in a continuing application.

New Claims 27-30 have been added. Claim 27 is supported at least by Page 38, lines 21-30 of the application, Claim 28 is supported at least by Page 49, lines 12-15 and Page 34, lines 25-31 of the application, Claim 29 is supported at least by Page 50, lines 28 through Page 51, line 6 of the application and Claim 30 is supported at least by Page 1, lines 5-6 of the application.

Claims 13-20 and 25 have been rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by Williams et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,838,523). Claims 21, 23 and 24 have been rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Williams et al. in view of Agarwai et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,407,171).

As mentioned above Claims 19-21 and 24-25 have been cancelled.

Enclosed is a Declaration of Prior Invention Under 37 CFR § 1.131 with respect to the remaining rejected Claims 13-18 and 22-23 and new Claims 27 and 30 by which the inventor Ian Orde Michael Jacobs swears behind the Williams et al. reference. In light of the Declaration, Williams et al. is not prior art to Claims 13-18, 22-23, 27 and 30 and the foregoing rejection of Claims 13-18 and 22-23 should be withdrawn.

New Claims 28-29 are patentable for the same reasons as Claim 13 and by reason of the additional limitations called for therein. For example, Claim 28 is additionally patentable by calling for the process of Claim 13 wherein (a) and/or (b) is a polypropylene homo- or copolymer in which the tacticity varies within the range of between 25 and 60% [mmmm] pentad concentration and Claim 29 is additionally patentable by calling for the process according to Claim 13 wherein (a) is a propylene polymer with 5-25% by weight ethylene-derived units. Neither of the additional limitations of new Claims 28-29 is disclosed by Williams et al.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the claims of record are allowable and that the application should be passed to issue. Should the Examiner believe that the application is not in a condition for allowance and that a telephone interview would help

further prosecution of this case, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the phone number below.

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